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CEDARVILLE, COLLEGE

Cedarville, Ohio

A Baptist College of Liberal Arts

"For the Word of God, and the testimony of Jesus Christ." Revelation 1:9

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FALL SEMESTER OFF TO A GOOD START

Cedarville College began its third year of operation under the direction of the Regular Baptists with 57 Freshmen and a total enrollment of 122. The Freshmen Class has young people enrolled from eleven states: Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Iowa, California, Maine, Pennsylvania, Kansas, New York, and West Virginia. This is, without a doubt, the largest student body in the history of the school since our churches have been supporting this Christian institution. We thank God for His blessing and take courage as we look to the future. Pray for faculty and student body that all of us may faithfully serve Christ.

STUDENT EMPLOYMENT

"Young people attending Cedarville College will find it very difficult to obtain employment while they are students."

This quotation and others similar to it have been made many times during the past months by some who did not have all the facts. We know of young people who have been discouraged from attending Cedarville College because of this type of propaganda. Because our G.A.R.B. churches are interested in the program of Cedarville, we have decided to make a survey so that our friends may know the truth about employment at Cedarville.

Our fall semester opened with the largest Freshman class in our history. There are 122 students enrolled in the student body. Of this number, 57 are Freshmen. Recently, we polled our student body to determine how many of the young

people were employed. We discovered that there were 23 who did not need employment but were fortunate enough to attend college without it. We discovered also that those who were employed are earning a total of \$1,858.52 per week. As nearly as we can figure it, our young people who are employed earn more than \$25 a week and attend college at the same time. At the present time, there are eight boys and thirteen girls who have requested part-time employment.

It has been thought that because Cedarville is located in a small town student employment would be well nigh impossible. However, our students are working in Cedarville, Xenia, Springfield and Dayton as well as in other towns nearby. As we have studied the student employment problem here, we have discovered that in general those who want employment and sincerely look for it almost always obtain it.

Will you kindly pray for our young people that they may do an efficient piece of work where they are employed and be a faithful testimony for Christ as they serve?

PRAYER REQUEST

Rev. John Reno, a friend of Cedarville College and a former faculty member, has been afflicted with polio. His oldest son, Paul, has also been ill with the same disease. We are glad to report that both of them are improved. We ask our readers to pray for them and send cards to brother Reno and Paul at Miami Valley Hospital, Dayton, Ohio.

ORGAN FUND

We are praying that God will supply the need for a new electronic organ. Gifts have come in during the past year so that we now have \$1,346.21 in a savings account set aside for the purchase of this much needed instrument. The Senior Class of 1955 gave \$233.07 of this amount; \$276.43 has been obtained through Ohio State tax stamps; \$36.71 has been donated by friends and \$800.00 has been transferred to the organ fund from the music fund of the college. Before we can purchase the organ we need between \$900 and \$1000 to completely pay for it. Will you pray about this need and give as you may feel led of the Lord.

FINANCIAL REPORT

We are very thankful to God for the gracious way He has met our material needs during these past months. We are thankful to His people for being willing to be His instruments in meeting the financial obligations of the college. During the month of July when we were facing a financial crisis, the Lord's people, in answer to our appeal, sent \$6,183.73 to help meet the immediate need. Another \$5,514.26 came into the college in August. Gifts totaled \$4,425.57 in September compared with \$2,611.54 for the same month last year. Our books have been closed for October and we learn that \$4,066.44 came to the college in gifts compared with \$2,759.64 for last October.

More people are giving to Cedarville College. Additional churches are placing the school on the budget. This is encouraging but we must continue to emphasize the fact that we need \$6,000 in gifts each month if we are to meet our obligations as they come due.

We also must pay off our debt before we can think of improvements in our buildings or the erection of dormitories. At the present time we have a debt of approximately \$25,000. We have been assured by friends of the college that \$9,000 of that amount would be forthcoming if we could raise the remaining \$16,000. This

offer will not last indefinitely therefore we must do our part very soon. This burden could be very easily removed if 160 of the more than 5,000 people who receive this issue of Testimony would give \$100 to the debt retirement fund!

CHURCHES GIVING TO

CEDARVILLE COLLEGE DURING OCTOBER

Albion, Ind., Casperville Baptist Church	\$ 21.70
Alton, Ill., Brown Street Baptist Church	15.00
Ames, N. Y., Ames Baptist Church	5.00
Arcanum, Immanuel Baptist Church	25.00
Barberton, Norton Center Baptist Church	10.00
Bedford, Bible Baptist Church	30.00
Bellefontaine, Calvary Baptist Church	26.50
Bellefontaine, First Regular Baptist Church	3.00
Berea, Berea Baptist Church	80.00
Bowling Green, First Baptist Church	41.21
Cedarville, Grace Baptist Church	15.00
Charleston, W. Va., Randolph St. Baptist Church	50.00
Chicago, Ill., Belden Avenue Baptist Church	40.00
Cleveland, Bethlehem Baptist Church	50.00
Cleveland, Brookside Baptist Church	5.00
Cleveland, Calvary Baptist Church	46.00
Cleveland, Cedar Hill Baptist Church	192.91
Cleveland - Euclid, Nottingham Baptist Church	399.00
Cleveland, Faith	5.00
Columbus, Central	81.00
Columbus, Immanuel	56.00
Columbus, Clintonville	20.00
Dayton, Emmanuel Baptist	113.50
Decatur, Ill., Riverside Baptist	112.60
Elkhart, Ind., First Baptist	50.00
Elyria, First Baptist	5.00
Erie, Pennsylvania, Bethel	10.00
Evansville, Evansville Baptist (Niles)	5.00
Fayette, Ambrose Baptist	41.61
Findlay, Calvary Baptist	2.00
Flint, Mich., Emmanuel Baptist	25.00
Fostoria, First Baptist	5.00
Gallipolis, First Baptist	250.00
Gary, Ind., Central Baptist	50.00
Gary, Ind., Glen Park Baptist	11.20
Greenfield, Ind., Baptist Tabernacle	16.81
Hamburg, N. Y., First Baptist	50.00
Hammond, Ind., Hessville	20.00
Lima, North Side Baptist	21.00
Lorain, East Side	263.28
Lorain, Penfield	5.00
Lorain, Trinity	8.00
Meadville, Pa., Calvary	15.00
Medina, First	100.00
N. Adams, Mich., N. Adams Baptist	19.00
N. Concord, Bible Mission Baptist	25.00
Niles, First Baptist	35.00

Norwalk, Calvary	5.00
Overland, Mo., Lackland Road Bapt.	10.00
Painesville, Calvary Bapt.	5.00
Parma, First Baptist	10.00
Perry, Iowa, First Baptist Church	50.00
Portsmouth, Temple Baptist	250.00
Racine, Wisc., Grove Ave. Baptist Church ..	4.00
Rocky River, Grace Baptist	52.15
Roxanna, Ill., First Baptist	10.00
Sharon, Pa., Penn Ave. Baptist Church	10.00
Silvis, Illinois, First Baptist	10.00
Spencer, Spencer Baptist	20.57
Springfield, Mass., Grace Baptist	44.00
Springfield, Ohio, Blessed Hope	38.00
Struthers, Grace Baptist	5.00
Tallmadge, Fundamental Baptist	10.00
Toledo, Emmanuel Baptist	195.50
Toledo, Lewis Avenue Baptist	2.00
Troy, Grace Baptist	27.00
Wauseon, First Baptist	5.00

FALL BIBLE LECTURES

Charles C. Ryrie, Th. D., Ph. D., assistant professor of Systematic Theology at Dallas Theological Seminary, delivered our fall Bible lectures, October 17-21. We believe our readers will be interested in his clear outline of First Peter so we include it in this issue of TESTIMONY with his permission.

The theme, 5:12, "the true grace of God."

1. TRUE GRACE MEANS SECURITY, 1:1-12.

- A. The Promise of Security, 1:1-5.
 - a. Its certainty, 1-2.
 - b. Its certification, 3.
 - c. Its culmination, 4.
 - d. Its continuance, 5.
- B. The Preciousness of Security, 1:6-9.
 - a. It brings rejoicing, 6.
 - b. It brings rewarding, 7.
 - c. It brings romancing, 8.
 - d. It brings receiving, 9.
- C. The Preeminence of a Secure Salvation, 1:10-12.
 - a. Proved by the prophets' inquiry, 10-11.
 - b. Proved by the present preaching, 12a.
 - c. Proved by the peering of angels, 12b.

2. TRUE GRACE MEANS SOBRIETY, 1:13-2:10.

- A. Because of a Person we ought to be Holy, 1:13-16.
- B. Because of a Prospect we ought to walk in Fear, 1:17-21.
- C. Because of a Provision we ought to Love, 1:22-25.
- D. Because of a Position we ought to Grow, 2:1-10.
 - a. The Diet for growth, 2:1-3.
 - b. The Desires for growth, 2:4-10.

3. TRUE GRACE MEANS SUBMISSION, 2:11-3:19.

- A. Submission to Governments, 2:13-17.
 - a. The Principle of Obedience.
 - b. The Extent of Obedience.
 - c. The Basis for Obedience.
- B. Submission to Masters, 2:18-25.
 - a. The Principle, 18-20.
 - b. The Pattern, 21-25.
- C. Submission to Husband, 3:1-7.
 - a. The Principle, 1.
 - b. The Purpose, 1-2.
 - c. The Practice, 3-4.
 - d. The Pattern, 5-6.
 - e. The Principle for husbands, 7.

4. TRUE GRACE MEANS SUFFERING, 3:10-4:19.

- A. The Relief from Suffering, 3:10-13.
- B. The Recourse in Suffering, 4:14-17.
 - a. Be not afraid, 14.
 - b. Be not troubled, 14.
 - c. Be ready, 15.
 - d. Be unashamed, 16.
- C. The Reminder in Suffering, 3:18-22.
- D. The Reason for Suffering, 4:1-6.
 - a. The Reason, 1-2.
 - b. The Result, 3-6.
- E. The Reactions to Suffering, 4:7-19.

5. TRUE GRACE MEANS SERVICE, 5:1-11.

- A. Service of elders, 5:1-4.
 - a. Duties of elders.
 - b. Reward of elders.
- B. Service of younger people, 5a.
- C. Service of all Christians, 5b-11.
 - a. It involves submission, 5b-7.
 - b. It involves sobriety, 8.
 - c. It involves steadfastness, 9-11.

"DON'T DESPISE THE DAY OF SMALL THINGS"

(The following challenge has been written by one of our new faculty members, Mr. Bruce Turnbull. Mr. Turnbull has a B.S. degree from Case in chemical engineering, a B. D. degree from Faith Seminary and a M.S. degree in Chemistry from Western Reserve University in Cleveland.)

"And the things which thou hast heard . . . the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also." With these words Paul commissioned Timothy, and in so doing he revealed the vital secret of the gospel.

A true proclamation of the gospel, contrary to much popular thought, includes much more than the preaching of salvation by grace through faith. Jesus gave it its true scope when He told us to make disciples, teach, and baptize; in short, make local churches where the newborn babes may receive the sincere milk of the Word and grow thereby. Accordingly, there are a large number of institutions

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of learning in our land, established for the purpose of training Baptist youth to take the gospel torch to their generation, into which have poured untold amounts of Baptist devotion, strength and consecrated dollars. But what has become of nearly every one of them. For an example, let us take one historic Baptist Seminary in the east. Here Baptist youth are taught by the professor of New Testament that prayer has absolutely no objective value and that in a few years it will become as outmoded as the Juggernaut car. Ichabod!

True Baptists can take two courses in the face of such a situation: they may take the defeated attitude of Elijah when, he said "I, even I only, am left," or, becoming inspired by the stirring rallying cry of Isaiah, "When the enemy shall come in like a flood, the Spirit of the Lord shall lift up a standard against him," they may propose, by God's grace, to do something about it!

Here at Cedarville we have a group of people who are following the latter course. Faculty, staff, student body, and Board have, without exception, sacrificed (and God only knows how much in some cases) to raise up a school of the prophets in our day.

We must acquiesce when the visionary points out the weaknesses of this school still in its swaddling clothes—no one is more painfully aware of them than those of us who are laboring here. But will you note this? He is not dirtying his hands in the prodigious job of building a first-rate school.

Baptist brethren, we must not despise the day of small things! It is the purpose of those laboring here to raise this school to the level of the greatest of Baptist schools in their glory, but we need your unreserved support. Tremendous progress has already been made, and God is getting glory. Come and join Nehemiah's little band, and let's rebuild the wall of Jerusalem.

I am glad to cast my lot with a group of God's people who have caught the vision of the need of our day.